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ALEXANDER M. WINSTON.

LETTER

FROM

THE ACTING SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING

Copy of a communication from the Attorney-General, submitting for an appropriation, the account of Alexander M. Winston, for services rendered, etc.

MARCH 31, 1894.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, *March 30, 1894.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the consideration of Congress, copy of a communication from the Attorney-General of the 27th instant submitting, for an appropriation, the account of Alexander M. Winston, \$115, for services rendered in defending certain pauper defendants under the orders of the judge of the United States court for the district of Washington, the same to be considered in connection with similar accounts contained in House Ex. Doc. No. 92, present session.

Respectfully, yours,

W. E. CURTIS,
Acting Secretary.

THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
Washington, D. C., March 27, 1894.

SIR: Inclosed is a copy of an account of Alexander M. Winston, Spokane, Wash., approved in the sum of \$115, for services rendered in defending certain pauper defendants, upon appointment by the presiding judge, Hon. Cornelius H. Hanford; said services being directed by the judge and performed by Mr. Winston under the act of July 20, 1892 (27 Stats., 252).

You are respectfully requested to forward the claim to Congress for an appropriation in the amount stated, the claim of Mr. Winston, for legal services rendered to the United States to be considered in connection with similar accounts forwarded by the Department on January 26, 1894, found in Executive Document No. 92, Fifty-third Congress, second session.

Very respectfully,

RICHARD OLNEY,
Attorney-General.

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

SPOKANE, WASH., February 20, 1894.

SIR: I have the honor to inclose herewith account properly verified against the United States for services in defending certain pauper defendants. As you will see I defended these persons by order of Judge Hanford. I inclose his certificate indorsed by the United States attorney as to the reasonableness of the account. The services were rendered by request of Judge Hanford, and are authorized by section 4 of an act approved July 20, 1892 (27 Stats., 252). Payment has heretofore been made for similar services rendered in other cases. I have the honor to request that this account may be approved and recommended for payment by you.

Very respectfully,

ALEX. M. WINSTON.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL,
Washington, D. C.

SEATTLE, WASH., February 15, 1894.

Alex. M. Winston, a practicing attorney at Spokane, Wash., was assigned by the court to defend in the following cases tried at the September term of the U. S. court held at Spokane, Wash., in September, 1893: The United States v. Hiram L. King, The United States v. John J. Clark, The United States v. Charles Haskel, The United States v. Thomas O'Brien.

The defendants in each of the above cases, upon being arraigned and upon being interrogated in relation thereto, stated that they had no counsel and no means to employ one and that they desired to make defense; thereupon Mr. Winston was appointed by the court to conduct the defense in each of the above cases.

I have examined the bill made out by him against the United States for services in these cases, in which he charges \$40 in the case of the United States against King, wherein there were two trials, and the charge of \$25 in each of the other three cases, making a total of \$115.

In my opinion the amount charged in each case is a just and reasonable charge for the services performed therein.

C. H. HANFORD,
Judge.

I indorse the above.

WM. H. BRINKER,
U. S. District Attorney.

SPOKANE, WASH., February 9, 1894.

The United States of America, to Alex. M. Winston, Dr.

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| To fee for defending Hiram L. King, charged with selling spirituous liquors to Indians. Tried by jury at Spokane, Wash., September 7, 1893. On September 8 jury reported that they were unable to agree, and were discharged. September 9, 1893, second trial. Verdict, not guilty. Appointed by Judge C. H. Hanford to defend. Amount of fee | \$40 |
| To fee for defending John J. Clark, charged with selling spirituous liquors to Indians. Tried by jury at Spokane, Wash., September 11, 1893. Verdict, guilty. Appointed by Judge C. H. Hanford to defend. Amount of fee..... | 25 |
| To fee for defending Charles Haskel, charged with selling spirituous liquors to Indians. Tried by jury at Spokane, Wash., September 12, 1893. Verdict, not guilty. Appointed by Judge C. H. Hanford to defend. Amount of fee..... | 25 |
| To fee for defending Thomas O'Brien, charged with selling spirituous liquors to Indians. Tried by jury at Spokane, Wash., September 13, 1893. Verdict, guilty. Appointed by Judge C. H. Hanford to defend. Amount of fee..... | 25 |
| Total..... | 115 |

Received payment of James C. Drake, U. S. marshal for the district of Washington, the above amount in full.

ALEX. M. WINSTON.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, County of Spokane, ss.:

Before me personally appeared Alex. M. Winston, who being first duly sworn, upon oath deposes and says that the foregoing account is correct; that the parties, to wit, Hiram L. King, John J. Clark, Charles Haskel, and Thomas O'Brien were separately indicted by the grand jury of the United States for the eastern division of the

district of Washington, at the September term, 1893, of the United States court, and when in court said that they were not able to employ counsel to defend them, and that they desired to make defense; that thereupon in each case I was duly appointed by Judge C. H. Hanford to defend them, and that I did defend them; that the services as set forth in the foregoing account and claim were duly rendered; that in my opinion said services were justly and reasonably worth the sums charged in the foregoing account; that I actually rendered said services, as above set forth; that in each case a trial was had by jury and verdicts rendered, and that in the case of the United States against Hiram L. King two trials by jury were had; that no part of said fees as above set forth has ever been paid affiant; that there were no special features of the defense more than is attached to every criminal case.

ALEX. M. WINSTON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of February, 1894.
(My term expires August 3, 1897.)

[SEAL.]

ARTHUR H. KENYON,

Notary Public in and for the State of Washington, residing at Spokane, Washington.

